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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7806**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1678

**NOTE PREPARED:** Mar 26, 2007

**BILL AMENDED:** Mar 22, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Regulation of Hospitals.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Brown C

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Miller

**BILL STATUS:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - 2<sup>nd</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** ☒ **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) The bill requires the Health Finance Commission to study the following hospital issues during the 2007 interim of the general assembly: (1) whether the Gary, Indiana acute care hospital would benefit from conversion to governmental hospital; (2) ways in which the state can encourage physicians to practice in certain hospital settings; (3) the manner in which a not-for-profit hospital could be converted to a county or municipal hospital; and (4) federal guidelines concerning county hospitals and intergovernmental transfers.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2007.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) The Health Finance Commission is required by the bill to study certain hospital related issues during the 2007 interim. During the 2006 interim, the Health Finance Commission spent approximately \$7,800 and held two meetings. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$16,500 per interim for committees with 16 members or more, such as the Health Finance Commission.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Legislative Council; Legislative Services Agency.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Legislative Services Agency.

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